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MISSOURI PRINTING CO. DOES NOT GET CONTRACT

(Globe-Democrat.)
Jefferson City, Mo., January 25.—Although the bid of the Missouri Printing and Publishing Company of Mexico Mo., was 21 cents a volume lower, the contract for publishing the decisions of the Supreme and Appellate Court reports of the state for a period of six years was awarded Monday to the E. W. Stephens Printing Company of Columbia, which bid \$1.38 a volume. The Mexico company bid \$1.15.

Fall to Get Injunction.
The contract was awarded after the Mexico concern, through its president, Rolla McIntyre, sought and failed to get an injunction in Probate Court to stop the consummation of the contract. Secretary of State Roach, Auditor General and Attorney General Barker Judge State was not in the city.

Bids for publishing court reports first were opened in November, and the Mexico company then bid \$1.15, Stephens \$1.45, delivered, and Baxton & Skinner \$1.35 a volume. All bids were rejected.

New bids were called for in an advertisement requiring the bidder to furnish back numbers of the reports, the plates for which are owned by the West Publishing Company and Stephens, the West Company owning them from 1 to 83 and Stephens the remainder.

No Bid on Back Numbers.
The Mexico concern did not bid upon back numbers, holding the statute contemplates the letting of the contract for current decisions only, and because to bid on back numbers it would have had to have gone to its competitors for an opinion.

Rosch, Gordon and Barker, before voting to give Stephens the contract, declared they believed it highly essential to protect the lawyers and state against exorbitant charges for back numbers of reports and that this would be accomplished under Stephens' bid.

The failure of the Mexico company to bid on back numbers, they held, left no other course. Stephens' bid on back numbers from 1 to 83, \$2, and from 83 forward, \$1.36.

Mr. McIntyre said when seen Tuesday afternoon that the Globe-Democrat article contained all that he wished to say at this time, and that he was undecided just now as to the steps he would take in the matter.

MRS. HAWKINS FUNERAL.
Held Wednesday Afternoon From the Home on Liberty Street.

Many of the friends of Mrs. J. B. Hawkins attended her funeral at the home on east Liberty street Wednesday afternoon at 2:30. The Rev. O. Q. Green was assisted in the services by the Rev. C. A. Mitchell.

The body was shipped to Frankfort, where the burial will be Thursday. The pall bearers were: E. S. Gantt, C. A. Witherspoon, Ralph Head, B. R. Middleton, James Armstrong and Earl Haggard.

Mrs. Hawkins was a devoted Christian. Everyone who knew her will be saddened by her death. Not only an old resident has passed away but a friend of the poor and sick is dead. The Ledger extends sympathy to the family at this time.

A DRIVE IN KAISER'S HONOR?
London Papers Expect Teuton Offensive on Wilhelm's Birthday.

London, Jan. 26.—The morning papers emphasize the renewal of heavy fighting on the western front. They believe there was a great German attempt to break through the French lines close to the Flanders coast Monday, and predict that German activity in the west will probably reach its height Thursday, when the German emperor celebrates his fifty-seventh birthday.

W. LYSON, HORSE TRADER, DIES
City Patient at the Mexico Hospital Dies Tuesday.

William Lyson, a horse trader, whose camp was north of Mexico, died at the Mexico Hospital Tuesday night after an extended illness of pneumonia. Lyson was thirty-two years old and single. His former home was in Chicago, Ill. Lyson was a city patient at the hospital. His people in Chicago have been notified and the body is being held.

DOCTORS ELECT OFFICERS.
At the meeting of the Audrain County Medical Society, Monday night in this city, Dr. R. W. Berrey was chosen president, Dr. J. O. Terrell, of Vandalia, vice-president; and Dr. Chas. L. Blanks secretary and treasurer.

Dr. R. L. Alford, of Vandalia, the retiring president, was chosen delegate to the State Medical Society meeting and Dr. Blanks named as alternate. No other business of importance marked the meeting.

DR. AND MRS. GRIFFIN ARE ENJOYING STAY IN SOUTH

Write the Ledger of New Orleans and its Interesting Historical Places of Prominence.

THE WEATHER IS LIKE SUMMER
Found the Old Spanish Market one of the Most Delightful Spots to Visit—Many New Fruits.

Mr. Mitchell White, Dear Sir:—
New Orleans, La., Jan. 25, 1916.—
We have been receiving the Ledger regularly which we read and certainly enjoy.

Sorry that I have not more to tell you about New Orleans, as it is an interesting and historical old place. My curriculum extends over every day in the week except Sunday, so I do not get much time for sightseeing.

One of the places of interest we have visited is the City Park. This is a large park covered with massive palms, rubber trees, artificial lakes, and spreading oaks known as the live oaks. One of these old trees is especially historical from the dueling standpoint, as the DeLassus-LeBouque duel was fought under this tree in 1841. This park is beautifully arranged, many artistic flower beds, gravel auto drives, and the Museum of Fine Arts and ostrich farm are located here.

The next place we visited was the old Spanish fort, known as The Concepcion Island of the South. This park or summer garden is located on the beautiful Lake Pontchartrain. This lake is twenty-one miles wide, and seventy-five miles long; in fact, joins the Gulf of Mexico on the north. As the concessions do not open before May 1st, the lake view and old fort was all to be seen. The latter or Old Spanish Fort, is standing today just as it did many, many years ago, long before the old French settlement here. There still remain five or six old cannons.

One evening we walked down to the old French Market and there we saw fruits and vegetables that we had never heard of before. This is one place no one should fail to visit, on coming to New Orleans. On our way home from the market we stopped in to see the Old Cathedral said to be the oldest in the United States. I believe it is, from its architectural appearance. It is a quaint old building, very beautiful.

New Orleans has a number of large modern hotels, and at present they are all filled with people from all over the United States. New Orleans has one of the largest sugar refineries in the world, is one of the largest distributing points for bananas.

The climate is ideal here now, do not have any fire or have need for any. In fact, several days the newspapers were barefooted.

I want to thank you for sending the Ledger so promptly, as we are always eager to get it. We expect to return to Mexico about June 1st. Will write again later about things of interest. We wish to be remembered to all of our Mexico friends.

Hurriedly, yours respectfully,
Dr. and Mrs. Fred Griffin.

MRS. J. B. HAWKINS DEAD.
Mrs. J. B. Hawkins, wife of Dr. J. B. Hawkins, died at her home here Tuesday morning after an extended illness.

Mrs. Hawkins was one of the pioneer settlers of Mexico who at the time of her death had been a resident of Mexico for twenty-two years. She was 66 years old. Mrs. Hawkins was a splendid woman, loved by all her friends and her death will sadden the entire community.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the home by the Rev. O. Q. Green of the Baptist Church. The burial was made at Frankfort, Pike Co., Mo., the former home of Dr. and Mrs. Hawkins.

Besides her husband, Dr. J. B. Hawkins, she is survived by five daughters: Mrs. J. L. Andrews, Mrs. Grace Byrum, of St. Louis; Mrs. Sweeney of Middletown, Mrs. Bert Luckie, Montgomery; and Mrs. Wm. West, of this city. The Ledger joins the entire community in extending sympathy to the bereaved family at this time of sorrow.

MISS HATTIE HAY DEAD.
Former Hardin Matron Dies Suddenly in Virginia.

Mrs. W. G. Wilkins received word from Fredericksburg, Va., Wednesday of the death of Miss Hattie Hay, of that city, formerly matron of Hardin college. The full particulars of her death were not given though she died suddenly while attending a party.

Miss Hay was one of the most popular women ever connected with Hardin College and was in this city a great many years. The news of her death will sadden a wide circle of admiring friends here.

Lee Duncan, stenographer for Farm Adviser Rusk at Quincy, Ill., son of Mr. and Mrs. George Duncan of this city, was operated on for appendicitis at a hospital in Quincy Saturday. Lee is reported on his way to recovery. His mother is with him.

Administrators Sale.
As administrator I will sell on the property of the late Dulcie Young all personal property on Tuesday, February 8th for cash.

John W. Howell.

DANIEL BOONE TRAIL MEETING AT MOBERLY FEB. 2

The Daniel Boone trail promoters will meet in Moberly February 2, at 1:30 p. m., to formulate definite plans for the building of this national highway. Mexico is mentioned on this road and a representative will be sent to this meeting.

The Daniel Boone trail is the great national north and south highway. It has been completed from St. Paul to Des Moines and now its completion in the state of Missouri is urged. The slogan of this route is "Canada to Gulf of Mexico."

February 2, at Moberly, an address will be given by the vice president, Hon. John P. Ford, Mayor of Fort Dodge, Iowa, on the subject, "The Daniel Boone Trail," and arrangements are being made to have the Minnesota vice-president of the route, Hon. John H. Hohmann, of Mankato, present to address the crowd.

The proposed route includes the following places: Des Moines, Prairie City, Macon, Ottumwa, Pella, Oskaloosa, Fremont, Ottumwa and Bloomfield, Iowa, and Lancaster, Queen City, Green Top, Kirksville, La. Plata, Atlanta, Macon, Jacksonville, Cairo, Moberly, Clark, Sturgeon, Centralia, Mexico, Martinsburg, Wellsville, Montgomery, Florence, Warrenton, Wagon, Westville, St. Charles and St. Louis, Missouri.

EAST—AUDRAIN AND WEST—PIKE.
Raymond Linn, the first morning after the election, while going to school, saw three frozen rabbits in their nests. The poor creatures had been hit by the rain, then starved for hours, and then killed frozen.

C. H. Inlow was called to Bowling Green Saturday by serious illness of his father. Dr. Stewart and Sons advertised their sale for Feb. 8.

Brack Roberts has not yet set his sale date. The latter, however, will go later to Idaho. Joe Lovelace not long since resigned as superintendent of the Prairie View Sunday school.

Miss May Leavelle is visiting her uncle, Charles Jeffries. John Springham has contracted with L. J. Kohl to keep a carload of cattle for him until spring. Robt. Barnett will move his implements and household goods from the farm to Vandalia, soon. Mississippi Glass Company surveyors, Saturday were running a survey for the company's new railroad to be built running south a mile from their factory to a new shaft which they will sink in the spring. The company contemplates spending \$100,000 in improvements in and near Vandalia, soon. John Arbogast will work a while here in Missouri. Since John was last here, he has been in Colorado, Illinois, Iowa and South Dakota. Mrs. A. L. Shattuck, during the week, fell and broke her wrist. Dr. Terrell was the attending physician. Mrs. F. P. Myers has been in Vandalia nursing her niece, Mrs. Ida Cassidy, and children, through bad cases of grippe.

Indian Creek last week was worse blocked by ice than we have seen it for years. The suit to set aside the deed of the late Joseph McMillen has been postponed for the fourth and fifth time in Bowling Green. Mrs. M. J. Jones has been suffering severely with rheumatism. Wm. Voss, Jr., of Vandalia, received a telegram conveying the news of the death of his nephew, Pete Voss, of Illinois.

During the sickness of Miss Lottie Lake, of Vandalia, Miss Elsie Gove filled her place as teacher of Nadine school. The six representatives from the Vandalia Baptist Church to the Fifth Sunday Convention at Martinsburg are: Misses Kate Lake, Olive Watson, Naomi Kirtley, Grace Berry, Lottie Lake, and Isola Moss.

Vernie Trower an ex-student of V. H. S., but now a clerk in Kansas City, is visiting homefolks. Ray Bland and wife are again residents of Vandalia.

Harry Fletcher visited his brother, Fred, over Sunday. Uncle Frank Barnett has been somewhat poorly this winter. Several had products to freeze in their cellars. The thermometer registered 12 degrees and 14 degrees below.

LOST 1544 BOOZE DEALERS.
Jefferson City, 24.—The year 1915 finds Missouri with 7,299 liquor dealers in the state, a falling off in a year of 1,544. This information is in a bureau of labor statistics bulletin just made public by Commissioner Jno. A. Fitzpatrick. The bulletin shows that the number of Missouri corporations, companies, firms and individuals who paid special taxes to the United States increased from 12,133 in 1915 to 42,204 this year. This increase is due to the additional burden on the country by the war. Internal revenue receipts from Missouri increased from \$13,331,518 for 1914 to \$14,874,845 for 1915, a gain of \$1,543,327 in twelve months.

The falling off in the number of retail liquor dealers was chiefly due to the ruling of the Missouri Supreme Court in early 1915 that clubs which sold liquor to their members had to take out state, county and city licenses. There are now 7,999 retailers, wholesale, retailers and manufacturers of liquors in the state.

Sunday School Convention.
The Audrain county Baptist Sunday school convention will be held in Martinsburg this week beginning Friday evening at 7:30 and closing Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Jesse, of St. Louis, is the guest of Mexico relatives.

FULTON GOES DRY BY 178 VOTES ON TUESDAY

Four Years Ago It Voted Wet by 130—Election Was Quiet and Without Any Trouble.

LICENSES EXPIRE ON FEB. 11TH
Only Ward to Go Wet Was the First Which is Largely Populated With City's Negroes.

Fulton, Mo., Jan. 26.—Virtually a full vote was polled in the local option election yesterday, 610 voting against licensing saloons and 432 voting for them, giving the dregs a majority of 178. The First Ward, which is largely populated by negroes, was the only ward to go wet.

The City Council appointed special police for each polling place for the first time in a number of years, and the 100-foot rule was rigidly enforced. The women workers were in strong evidence.

The license of the two saloons in Fulton expire at midnight February 11. Four years ago the wet vote won by 130 votes.

ACTRESS BACKS UP THE REV. C. C. SELEMAN
Los Angeles, Jan. 24.—A sorrowing mother's narrative of her daughter's attempt at suicide was one of the factors that caused Rev. C. C. Selman to attack the morals of the moving picture camps from the pulpit of Trinity Methodist Episcopal church, South, recently, according to a statement made by Rev. Mr. Selman, Saturday, Mr. Selman formerly lived in Mexico.

"Get better clothes, no matter how you get them," the daughter, an ambitious young moving picture actress, reported her director as commanding. This mortification preyed upon her mind so much that, while in a state of despondency, she slipped away to one of the parks and attempted to commit suicide. Physicians saved her life.

It was only one of the instances that tied up to the sermon that has aroused the entire city—delivered last Sunday night.

The girl was present to hear the sermon. The young actress, who is well known on the screen, wrote a letter to Dr. Selman Friday, commending him on the campaign he had begun for the elimination of vice in the moving picture studios and offered her assistance in the work.

Dr. Selman again heard from this said young woman when she called upon him personally. Then she bared her life to him, even more in detail than she did in her letter.

The letter, without her name, is herewith published and, according to Dr. Selman, is one of the strongest arguments obtainable substantiating his charges that "present conditions in some of the moving picture camps in and around Los Angeles are a menace to the morals of the young girls and women." The letter follows:

My Dear Mr. Selman:
"I feel that I must tell you how sorry I am in sympathy with you after hearing your sermon about the moral conditions of the 'movies.' Every word that was said by you could be vouchered for by me personally.

"I have been in the 'movies' for nearly four years—and I have been fortunate enough to withstand temptations that have assailed me during these years.

"I would love to help you in this wonderful crusade and if it were not for the fact that my very bread depends on 'pictures,' I think I would have the courage to prove to you that you have been too mild in your statements. I know the picture game thru and thru. All right-minded people in the 'movies' know the sad state of things and deplore them, but they have not the courage to come out and say so.

"Several persons who have denounced you openly in the papers in defense of the 'movies,' whom I know personally, have risen from obscurity to feature stars because of favors solicited to managers and stage directors.

"Do you know that a little girl earning steadily \$10 per week in any other place hangs around all day; she may get work two or three days per week, but if she works but half a day she gets \$1.50, even the car fare, lunch, and up and street clothes and the wear and tear of the game make it much worse than any other profession.

"One manager told me that I must have better street clothes, evening clothes, etc. 'But I can't get them on my salary,' I told him. 'I can help that,' he answered. 'Other girls get them on smaller salaries. I don't care how you get them—but get them.' I had to quit that position.

"There are good people in the 'movies' as well as in other businesses, but the luxury with which most of them are run is a menace to the morals of the girls. As long as the big directors and managers are called 'bushes' with their harpoms, so long will the smaller men think it proper to imitate their houses.

"Success for you in your very great undertaking. I know you will not weaken. If all who would be to help you were sure it would be confidential as to their names and companies, you would get lots of help. I am sure.

"Anything I can do to help you will be done by yours sincerely, MISS ———"

SCIENTISTS NAME THE PERILS WE ARE FACING

America faces twenty perils which may block its road to permanent world supremacy!

Such is the warning of eminent scientists in the country.

The warning of these men of learning makes direct reply to the declarations of James A. Farrell, Willard Straight, James J. Hill, George W. Perkins and other chief American business men who recently said that America stood on the very threshold of supremacy among all the nations of the earth, if the people would only grasp the opportunity that the European upheaval has tossed upon our doorstep.

To this enthusiasm of business science now replies that there are twenty perils.

The full list—just read before the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the greatest scientific body in the United States—here appears. It concludes not only disease, but all the other danger signals of race deterioration which science declares can be seen in every part of the country.

President Elmer E. Rittenhouse of the Life Extension Institute has brought this matter before the American Association, presenting a startling array of facts and figures.

In the language of every day, President Rittenhouse thus challenges us:

"Are we husky enough as a people mentally and physically ever to hold world supremacy or must we degenerate into a second rate nationality because we allow these twenty perils to overtake and rob us of our strength?"

The scientists who advance the above reasons were: Dr. M. P. Ravenel, Professor of Preventive Medicine at the University of Missouri; Dr. M. V. O'Shea, Professor of Education at Wisconsin University; Dr. J. H. Kellogg, Superintendent and of the Battle Creek sanitarium; Dr. Luther H. Gulick, President Camp Fire Girls of America and director of family physical training New York City schools.

The Twenty Perils.
Here are the twenty ways in which scientists warn us we are degenerating and which we put us behind in the race for world supremacy:

Seventeen million unmarried men and women.
Increase in divorce (one to every six marriage licenses in Chicago alone).
Declining birth rate due to birth restriction by parents.

Excessive infant life waste.
Large number of defectives in schools.
Increasing idiocy and insanity.
Enormous number of drug and alcohol victims.
America leads all nations in murders.

Economic waste from needless sickness and premature death, \$2,000,000,000 a year.
High and increasing nervous tension.
Extraordinary increase in sedentary work.

Heavily eating without exercise.
Increasing obesity, weak limbs, soft muscles.
Noticeably low resistance to disease.
Increase in early breaking down of organs.

Excessive life waste from germ diseases.
Remarkably cancer mortality increase.
Marked increase in diseased teeth and poor vision.

Increase in suicides—total of 15,000 a year—Kansas City Post.

ANNUAL DINNER PROGRAM.
List of Speakers at the Commercial Club Dinner February Second.

The program of speakers for the annual Commercial Club dinner, the evening of February second, have been chosen. The place has not been announced yet though the hour will be 6:30 in the evening. The program is as follows:

Toastmaster L. B. Hawthorne
Invocation Dr. A. A. Wallace
Commencement and Service
Hon. John T. Gose Shilbina, Mo.
Mexico and Interurban Development
Marshall Rust, Kansas City.
Accomplishments of the Club
W. A. Shullenberger
Co-Operation
David C. Biggs, St. Louis
The Trenton Idea—Its Possibilities
Hon. Don McVay, Trenton
The music will be furnished by the twenty-five Missouri Military Academics.

Still Interested in Mexico.
R. M. White & Son.
Dear Sir:—
Baird, Texas, Jan. 17, 1916.—Have been away from Mexico 29 years last November. Am surprised at the interest I take each week in reading of Mexico and Audrain County in your valuable paper and take notice of the position you take on moral subjects.

Yours very truly,
H. W. Ross.

Lamps on Coat Sleeves.
London, Jan. 25.—On account of the darkening of London streets to avoid giving information to the Zeppelins, some travelers not attach a small electric light to their coat sleeves so they may read in the trains and trams.

WALLACE BASSFORD MAY BE WASHINGTON P. M.

Speaker Champ Clark Wants His Secretary, to be Capital Post-Master.

IS ALREADY RECOMMENDED
If Senate Fails to Re-appoint Herritt Chance, Present Incumbent, Bassford Will Get It.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 26.—Speaker Champ Clark yesterday wrote Postmaster General Burleson, recommending the appointment of Wallace Bassford as Postmaster of Washington if the Senate refuses to confirm the appointment of the incumbent, Merritt Chance, named in recess last summer. Bassford has been Mr. Clark's secretary for many years. He is a brother of Homer Bassford of St. Louis.

Although legally a resident of Mexico, Mo., Bassford has lived so long in Washington that he is eligible to appointment to an office within the District of Columbia.

The opinion here is that the Postmaster General will endorse the Speaker's recommendation should the Senate decline to confirm Chance.

When Chance was appointed during the summer and after Postmaster Otto Praeger had been promoted to Second Assistant Postmaster General, it was stated that Chance was a "Clark Democrat," although he had previously served under Republican administration. Speaker Clark said yesterday he had never heard of Chance until he was named Postmaster and doubted the accuracy of the statement that he had been active in his presidential campaign.

DR. FRANK CRANE TAKES UP C. C. SELEMAN
The recent charge of immorality in moving picture camps made by the Rev. C. C. Selman of Los Angeles, formerly pastor of the Methodist church of this city, has aroused wide spread comment throughout the entire country. Frank Crane, a prominent newspaper writer whose articles are copyrighted has the following to say concerning Mr. Selman's charge in a recent copy of the Chicago Daily News:

"A clergyman in Los Angeles has stirred things up a bit by attacking what he calls the immoral conditions of the movie camps.

"All around the metropolis of southern California are studios where cinematograph films are made. To these establishments flock naturally hundreds of young people of both sexes. The same lure draws them that attracts crowds of applicants to the theatres.

"The paragon's charge: I have doubts some foundation in fact. There never was time or place where a lot of adolescents were commingled without human nature asserting itself; and it is human nature to make love, which is honestly, and others honestly.

"But a moving picture factory is per se no more immoral than any other kind of a camp where boys and girls associate. Sunday school picnics, camp meetings, chautauquas, any sort of fest where people let go and play, are dangerous.

Moonlight nights on a transatlantic liner are dangerous. I myself have seen surreptitious hand holdings, although I fall back upon my constitutional privilege and refuse to give evidence that might incriminate myself.

"Warm summer evenings are dangerous, and flower scented atmospheres and leafy paths and shady nooks. According to my recollection it used to be well nigh impossible to walk with a healthy, lively, beautiful girl amid such terrible surroundings and not tell her that she is the only one, and that it seems like we'd always known each other etc. etc., and isn't it funny how some people are just natural affinities?

"Seriously here's the error in all accusations of immoral conditions brought against any institution or class. It is that virtue can be maintained by rules, circumstances, chaplains and restrictions.

"My personal conviction is that coeducation is much better for producing right character than are those institutions where young ladies are confined together and no man except the janitor allowed on the premises.

"And my observation is that actresses, circus women, and the like average up about as well as the inmates of Miss Prune's select boarding school for finishing young ladies.

"A great outcry is made from time to time about the perils that lurk for feminine stenographers, shop girls and other working women. But they are probably a little higher in general self respect and can take care of themselves better than 'young ladies at home,' at least they don't loaf all day and dance all night, and sit around country clubs and drink cocktails.

"The fact is that women are incurably good. And the more we trust them and believe in them the better they are."

80 Below in Alaska Town.
Seattle, Wash., Jan. 24.—Richardson, 60 miles from Fairbanks, Alaska, reported 80 degrees below zero Saturday. Other points reported from 4 to 60 degrees below.

W. W. Pollock is in St. Louis attending the State Grain Dealers Association of which he is treasurer.

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Let me protect you against such a loss—act today.

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Kemper Building Mexico, Missouri

Cold Wave Is Coming, Zero

Ledger Special 4:00 p. m.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 26.—Cold wave temperature will fall probably to zero or below over most of northern and western Missouri by Friday morning and considerably below northwest portion strong northwest winds indicated.

MARY AUGUSTA KETTERY DEAD

Twelve Year Old Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kettery Dies.

Mary Augusta, the twelve year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kettery, died at the home of her parents on west Liberty street, at one o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Besides her father and mother, she leaves four sisters and four brothers: Mrs. Goldie Schankweiler, Misses Grace, Blanche, and Fern Kettery, of this city, and Albert, Clever, Burton and Glendon Kettery, also of this city.

The funeral services will be conducted Thursday at the home on West Liberty street. The body will be buried in Elmwood. The Ledger extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

BURNING WELL IS "VOLCANO"

Sinton, Tex., Jan. 24.—The burning gas well near here owned by J. M. Guffy of Pittsburg, Pa., and associates, has become a "volcano" within the last 24 hours. The crater has widened to a circumference of 100 feet and around it is piled a cone of mud more than 30 feet high.

The detonations caused by the gas explosions shake the houses for 20 miles around.

300,000 HELD CAPTIVE.

London, Jan. 24.—An Amsterdam dispatch to the Central news says the total body of the Teutonic allies during seventeen months of war is summed up in Vienna as follows: Nearly 3,000,000 prisoners, 10,000 guns and 400,000 machine guns, while 470,000 square kilometers of enemy territory has been occupied.

Important Day

February Third

is to be

Generally Observed

NATIONAL THRIFT DAY means much to every individual in this community. Its general observance is important to this community, the State and the Nation.

Every idle dollar can be put to work to the benefit of the individual and community by being deposited in this institution which is recognized as a desirable depository for celebrating Thrift Day in this community.

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